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Rep. Jenna Jacobson Comments on GOP Child Care Bills

MADISON - Today, Assembly Representative Jacobson (D-Oregon) issued the following statement regarding Assembly Republican's child care bills discussed in today's session:

“The child care bills brought before us today disregard the needs and voices of our child care industry, parents, workforce, and communities around the state. Although Wisconsinites on both sides of the aisle have openly expressed their disapproval of these bills, Legislative Republicans have ignored their pleas. Now, the fate of our child care industry and workforce are left uncertain.

“As a continued and avid supporter of the Child Care Counts program, I voted against the bills brought before us today. The goal of my colleagues and I has been, and will continue to be, to make child care more affordable and accessible for all. By helping providers keep tuition low and wages high, parents can continue work and help build our economy.

“Instead of asking 16-year-olds to staff our childcare industry, offering loans to facilities that are already struggling financially, or encouraging understaffed programs to take on more children, let's do what is right and listen to the voices of the people by implementing the Child Care Counts Program.”

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